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SOURCE:

1. On 15 May 1953 the Sindicato de Trabajadores de Fuerza y Luz (STFL - Power and Light Workers' Union), an affiliate of the Federacion Sindical de Trabajadores de la Republica de Panama (FSTRP - Federation of Workers Unions of the Republic of Panama - Communist), held a meeting at the headquarters of the Barbadian Society in Colon. Those present were Carlos A. CAJAL, lawyer for the FSTRP; Angel GOMEZ, secretary of defense of the FSTRP; Miguel PORCELL, secretary of acts and correspondence of the FSTRP; Felix DIXON, secretary-general of the STFL; and approximately twenty members of the STFL.
2. GOMEZ announced that Felix DIXON, Domingo BARRIA, and Arturo FIGUEROA had been chosen to represent the FSTRP as candidates for the Panamanian delegation to the International Labor Office Conference to be held in Geneva, Switzerland, during June. He explained that President REEDON would select the delegation from a list of nominees submitted by various unions.
3. In a short talk, CAJAL told the workers that the insurance policy they received from the Power and Light Company was not a gratuity, but that they had earned it since labor was the source of all wealth.
4. At a later meeting of the STFL, held on 19 June 1953, GOMEZ covered the following points:
  - a. The Executive Committee of the Federal Council of the FSTRP has asked for an interview with President REEDON in order to petition him for representation in Panama-United States Treaty revision talks.
  - b. All workers should oppose a revision of the Panama Labor Code proposed by members of the National Assembly, as any change by the present Assembly will be in favor of the capitalists.
  - c. The United States declared the Rosenbergs spies and executed them in order to tell the world that Russia is incapable of producing the atomic bomb without resorting to espionage.